

Saint Paul the Apostle Catholic Church

Sunday, December 26, 2021

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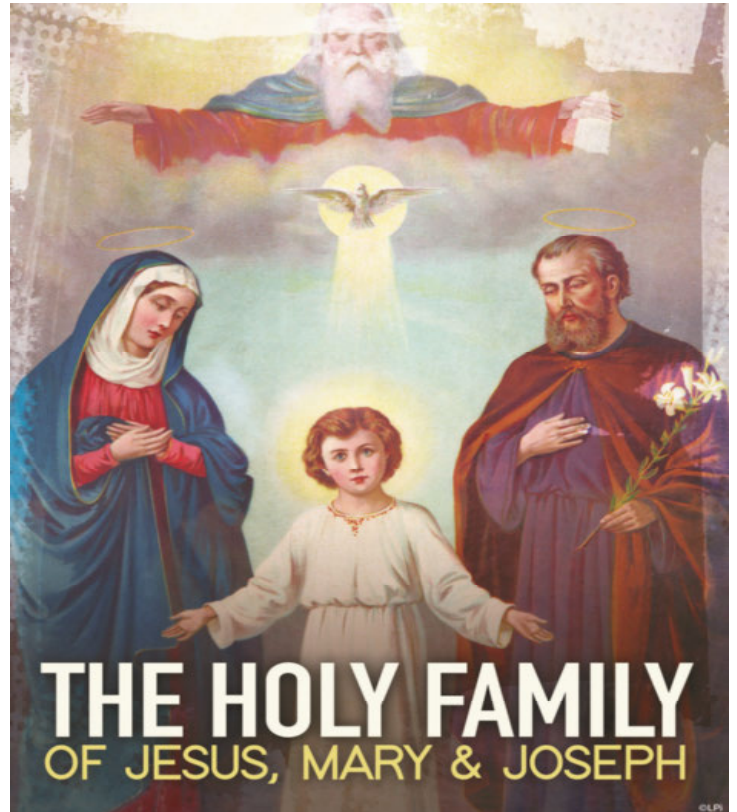
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Bulletin Articles

Deadline is Monday noon of week to be published.



Mass Times

Weekend: Saturday . . .5 pm
Sunday . . .8 am & 10 am, 12 pm (Spanish)

Weekdays: Tuesday 5:30 pm
Wednesday—Friday 9:00 am

CONFESSIONS:

Tuesdays: 5:10 p.m.-5:25 p.m.
Saturdays: 4:30 p.m.-4:50 p.m.
Confessions may also be heard by appointment.

BAPTISMS:

Call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

HOLY MATRIMONY:

Preparations are to be made with Father at least six months prior to the desired date.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: (Anytime) Please notify your pastor promptly whenever anyone in the parish is sick or injured.

Please note: If you are in a hospital or health care facility located outside of Sandwich, you are to call the nearest parish for a priestly visit.

Mission Statement

“We, the family of St. Paul Parish, live the gospel message of Jesus Christ through worship, education and outreach to all ages. We strengthen our parish and community, respecting our rural traditions, while welcoming the growth and cultural diversity that awaits.”



Lord, hold our troops in your loving hand. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Everyone is welcome to all of our public Masses! Dispensation from the obligation of attending Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation was lifted on July 1, 2021. Also, in accordance with Bishop Malloy's letter of August 27, 2021, "beginning on Monday, August 30, 2021, all individuals, regardless of vaccination status, age two and older and able to tolerate a face covering...are required to cover their nose and mouth with a face covering when indoors on the premises of our churches, schools, and Diocesan facilities." Thank you very much for your cooperation in this matter.

Dear Decade a Day Members,

It is time to re-up for your Decade.

Please let me know if you wish to continue for another year. Also, let me know if you would like to switch Decades at this time. I do have some available.

If you know of someone who might be interested in spending... 5 minutes a Day ... Praying the Rosary, please have them contact me.

Thank you so much for your participation in this program.

You are such a Blessing!

Jerry
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New Year Weekend Mass Schedule

Friday, December 31, 2021

9:00 a.m. Daily Mass

5:00 p.m. Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Vigil—Spanish Mass

6:30 p.m. Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Vigil—English Mass

Saturday, January 1, 2022

9:00 a.m. Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Holy Day of Obligation

5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass for Sunday, January 2

Sunday, January 2, 2022

8:00 a.m. Mass—English

10:00 a.m. Mass—English

12:00 p.m. Mass—Spanish

St. Paul the Apostle Men's Group will begin meeting again on Sat., January 8, 2022 from 8:00-9:00 am. Bring your coffee and possibly something to jot down notes. We will be using FORMED The Search as our topic. It is an 8-week series. Remember God called us by name but knows our sins. Satan, on the other hand, calls us by our sins and knows our names. We are all called to be men of God. So, please come Jan. 8th to the west entrance of the parish center (across from the red barn). See you there. Any questions, please call the church office and leave a message for Charlie Sondgeroth.

St. Paul the Apostle Christian Women Raffle Winners

1st Place—Gift Card Wreath
Terre Michels

2nd Place—Table Runner
Judy Hendron

Thank you to all who purchased tickets, donated gift cards, and thank you to Connie Wiley for the wreath and the table runner. All proceeds will go to purchase new linens for our parish.

Sacramental Life

OUTREACH:

Anyone experiencing unforeseen circumstances contact Donna Botts at 815-786-8959.

PRAYER HOT LINE:

Contact Marilyn Childress at 815-695-5319, to have intentions remembered.

HOMEBOUND EUCHARIST:

Please call David DeCraene at (815)786-8412.

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

All in the Family

At first glance, we can often find the image of the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph and the Christ Child intimidating – who are we to aspire to that level of discipleship? How could we ever hope to conform ourselves to that mold? Sometimes, it can even be painful – perhaps we hail from a broken family or struggle with a broken relationship within our family, or perhaps we long to be a mother or a father ourselves and that state in life has eluded us.

But the image of the Holy Family is, in reality, a beautiful invitation to us all, no matter our vocation or our state in life, and the example of Mary, Joseph and Jesus is rich with the symbolism of stewardship.

You need not be a biological mother who has carried a child in her womb to be a mother in spirit. Who in your world needs you to love them with the heart of a mother?

The same goes for fatherhood. The Church and the world are crying out for the courageous witness of Christian men like St. Joseph. Who can you love with the steadfast, selfless protection of a father?

Who in your life needs you to love them with the faithful, unconditional love of a son? Who needs your gentle and constant love as a daughter?

We are the Body of Christ, friends. Those of us rejoicing in heaven, those of us suffering in purgatory, and those of us struggling here on earth. We are the great family. Let us love each other well.

– Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



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Readings for the week of December 26, 2021

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:41-52 or

1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 [cf. 5a]/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52

Monday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12]/Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:5-2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/Mt 2:13-18

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/Lk 2:36-40

Friday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18

Saturday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

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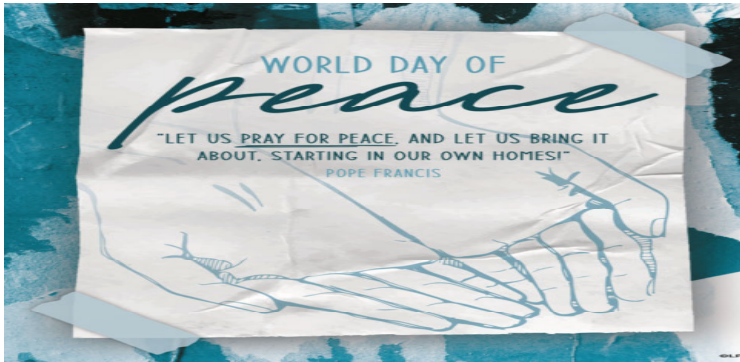
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Bishop David J. Malloy advised priests of the Diocese of Rockford in a June 11 letter, that the dispensation from the obligation of attending Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation was to be lifted on July 1, 2021. As the dispensation is now lifted, Catholics are reminded in the days and months ahead to use their consciences for any decision about not attending Mass or continuing to follow it virtually and to ask for pastoral guidance from their parish priests if needed.



Our Giving

Date : December 18/19

The bulletin for December 26 needed to be submitted before the collection was counted. The collection for this week will be reported next week.

Welcome: Our warmest welcome to all who worship with our parish family, whether long time resident or newly arrived in the parish. If you are interested in registering in our parish please fill out form. You may leave this form in the collection basket or mail to the church office.

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Phone _____

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Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2021

5:00 p.m. † Holy Souls in Purgatory

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26, 2021

8:00 a.m. *Pro Populo* (People of the Parish)

10:00 a.m. † Bernice LaBuda (Tom & Eileen Coppens)

12:00 p.m. Intention to be Announced at Mass

MONDAY, DECEMBER 27

NO MONDAY SERVICES

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28

5:30 p.m. † Brian Warne

(Mark & Maria Oropeza Family)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29

9:00 a.m. † Nicki Clapper (Gerald & Denise Curran)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30

9:00 a.m. † Ginny Colgan (Ray & Judy Hendron)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31

9:00 a.m. † Holy Souls in Purgatory

5:00 p.m. † Intention to be Announced

Vigil Holy Day of Obligation -Spanish

6:30 p.m. Rev. Anthony Brankin (Sparti Family)

Vigil Holy Day of Obligation—English

SATURDAY, JANUARY 1, 2022

9:00 a.m. † Diane Bohnstedt (Family & Friends)
Holy Day of Obligation

5:00 p.m. † Doran & Rose Greif

(Denise, DaVonna, & Doreen)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2

8:00 a.m. † Eugene & Kim Paris &
Richard Hettinger (Bernadine Paris)

10:00 a.m. † Ron Adrian (Tom & Eileen Coppens)

12:00 p.m. Intention to be Announced at Mass

Please Pray For



Norm L-Cuny	Judy Straube	Ron Ciboroski
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